

Noise Ordinance Pilot Program

Weekly report

Summary for December 16th-19th

Please find attached the weekly update summarizing activities related to enforcement of the Noise ordinance. This document provides the summary of activity performed from Thursday, December 16th - Sunday, December 19th, 2021 and activity conducted since the ordinance went into effect and pilot program enforcement began on Thursday, October 7th, 2021.

Background information: October 7th Code Enforcement staff were assigned to work a 6-month pilot program to review and validate the current noise ordinance. 6 CE staff are assigned Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 8pm – 4am to inspect noise calls that are referred by SAPD dispatch.

This report includes the efforts of Code Enforcement and San Antonio Police Department currently tasked with enforcement of the noise ordinance pilot program.

Week ending Sunday, December 19th

	Weekly totals	Total Pilot Program Period
Calls received to non-emergency SAPD*	311	4451
Calls investigated by Code Enforcement	149	1613
Violations confirmed and referred to SAPD	16	205
Citations issued by SAPD	9	108
Code unable to assess location safely	9	77

To-date CE has investigated 36 % of all noise calls called into SAPD non-emergency

- Violations confirmed by CE and referred to SAPD- 13%
 - 65% Residential properties in violation
 - 120 properties
 - 30% Business properties in violation
 - 59 properties
 - 5% Riverwalk properties in violation
 - 10 properties

Cases referred for citation:

City council district	Residential	Business	Riverwalk	Grand Total
1	35	22	10	67
2	5	18		23
3	5	20		25
4	4	17		21
5	3	37		40
6	4	12		16
7	4	1		5
8	1	1		2
9	1	3		4
10		2		2
Grand Total	62	133	10	205

Citations by SAPD

- 53% of cases referred were issued a citation
- 108 citations issued during pilot program

Citations issued by council district:

City council district	Residential	Business	Riverwalk	Grand Total
1	29	18	10	57
2	2	5		7
3	2	4		6
4		3		3
5	2	19		21
6	2	1		3
7	3			3
8				
9	2	3		5
10	1	2		3
Grand Total	43	55	10	108

Some reasons for lack of citation include:

- 49% –No violation when officer arrived (usually due to delay in time)
- 35% – Officer educated the public who complied with lowering noise
- 9% – Officer used discretion to not write citation (no reason provided)
- 6% – No decibel reading provided, officer canceled by dispatcher or unable to located data for call